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Sir:

Attached is Form PTO/SB/08A listing U.S. Patent No. 5,814,546. We also enclose a copy of this cited patent. It is requested that the Examiner consider this patent and officially make it of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and MPEP § 609.

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